3.2.10 Lower Bull Run Group Summary

3.2.10.1 Little Rocky Run Watershed

Description. Little Rocky Run Watershed is a medium-sized watershed, with approximately 13 miles of stream assessed. It is located along the middle of the southwestern boundary of the County. The watershed is entirely contained within the County Boundaries, and drains directly to Bull Run, which eventually discharges to the Potomac River.

Habitat. The habitat assessment results for Little Rocky Run Watershed are summarized by stream in Table 3-43. Habitat scores for each reach are depicted in Figure 3-66. Based on a length weighted habitat score of 102 (Table 3-2), Little Rocky Run Watershed is in the lower middle range of quality, compared to the rest of the County. Approximately 4.5 miles of stream were categorized as having "poor" habitat conditions, 7 miles as "fair," and 1 mile as "good."

CEM. Based on the CEM evaluations approximately half of the channels assessed in Little Rocky Run Watershed are in Evolutionary Stage 3 (Table 3-3) and the remainder are split between Stages 2 and 4. Figure 3-67 summarizes the CEM results for Little Rocky Run Watershed.

Infrastructure. The infrastructure inventory resulted in 153 inventory points. The most significant problem was related to an erosional area, which was given an impact score of 8. The infrastructure inventory results are summarized in Table 3-44. Figures 3-68, 3-69, 3-70, 3-71, and 3-72 summarize impact scores for the erosion problems; deficient buffers; crossings; pipes/ditches; and dumps, obstructions, and utilities, respectively.

3.2.10.2 Johnny Moore Creek Watershed

Description. Johnny Moore Creek Watershed is a medium-sized watershed, with approximately 12 miles of stream assessed. It is located along the middle of the southwestern boundary of the County. The watershed is entirely contained within the County Boundaries, and drains directly to Bull Run, which eventually discharges to the Potomac River.

Habitat. The habitat assessment results for Johnny Moore Creek Watershed are summarized by stream in Table 3-45. Habitat scores for each reach are depicted in Figure 3-66. Based on a length weighted habitat score of 104 (Table 3-2), Johnny Moore Creek Watershed is in the middle range of quality, compared to the rest of the County. Approximately 4 miles of stream were categorized as having "poor" habitat conditions, 6 miles as "fair," and 1.5 miles as "good."

CEM. Based on the CEM evaluations approximately 97 percent of the channels assessed in Johnny Moore Creek Watershed are in Evolutionary Stage 3 (Table 3-3). Figure 3-67 summarizes the CEM results for Johnny Moore Creek Watershed.

Infrastructure. The infrastructure inventory resulted in 127 inventory points. The most significant problem was related to an erosional area, which was given an impact score of 9. The infrastructure inventory results are summarized in Table 3-46. Figures 3-68, 3-69, 3-70,

3-71, and 3-72 summarize impact scores for the erosion problems; deficient buffers; crossings; pipes/ditches; and dumps, obstructions, and utilities, respectively.

3.2.10.3 Popes Head Creek Watershed

Description. Popes Head Creek Watershed is a large watershed, with approximately 50 miles of stream assessed. It is located along the middle of the southwestern boundary of the County. The watershed is entirely contained within the County Boundaries, and drains directly to Bull Run, which eventually discharges to the Potomac River.

Habitat. The habitat assessment results for Popes Head Creek Watershed are summarized by stream in Table 3-47. Habitat scores for each reach are depicted in Figure 3-66. Based on a length weighted habitat score of 103 (Table 3-2), Popes Head Creek Watershed is in the middle range of quality, compared to the rest of the County. Approximately 1 mile of stream was categorized as having "very poor" habitat conditions, 15 miles as "poor," 30 miles as "fair," and 3 miles as "good."

CEM. Based on the CEM evaluations approximately 60 percent of the channels assessed in Popes Head Creek Watershed are in Evolutionary Stage 3 (Table 3-3), with most of the remainder of the watershed in Stage 4. Figure 3-67 summarizes the CEM results for Popes Head Creek Watershed.

Infrastructure. The infrastructure inventory resulted in 382 inventory points. The most significant problem was related to a pipe, which was given an impact score of 9. The infrastructure inventory results are summarized in Table 3-48. Figures 3-68, 3-69, 3-70, 3-71, and 3-72 summarize impact scores for the erosion problems; deficient buffers; crossings; pipes/ditches; and dumps, obstructions, and utilities, respectively.

TABLE 3-43
Habitat Assessment Summary for Little Rocky Run Watershed
Fairfax County Stream Physical Assessment

	Linear Feet (Percent) of Stream										
Stream	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Total					
Little Rocky Run	0 (0.00)	8,943 (19.26)	30,615 (65.95)	6,866 (14.79)	0 (0.00)	46,424					
Tributary to Bull Run	0 (0.00)	656 (100.00	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	656					
Tributary to Little Rocky Run	0 (0.00)	7,880 (76.03)	2,484 (23.97)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	10,365					
Willow Springs Branch	0 (0.00)	6,185 (51.16)	5,905 (48.84)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	12,090					
Watershed Total	0 (0.00)	23,664 (34.03)	39,004 (56.09)	6,866 (9.87)	0 (0.00)	69,534					

TABLE 3-44 Infrastructure Assessment Summary for Little Rocky Run Watershed Fairfax County Stream Physical Assessment

Impact Score	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	>10	Total
Deficient Buffers	0	0	0	3	5	3	1	7	0	0	0	N/A	19
Crossings	13	17	21	9	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	N/A	66
Ditches and Pipes	24	10	10	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	N/A	48
Erosion	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	N/A	4
Head Cut	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	1
Obstruction	6	1	0	0	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	N/A	14
Utility	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	43	28	31	15	12	9	4	10	1	0	0	0	153

TABLE 3-45 Habitat Assessment Summary for Johnny Moore Creek Watershed Fairfax County Stream Physical Assessment

	Linear Feet (Percent) of Stream												
Stream	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Total							
Johnny Moore Creek	0 (0.00)	3,293 (13.61)	13,451 (55.57)	7,460 (30.82)	0 (0.00)	24,204							
Polecat Branch	0 (0.00)	1,570 (35.02)	2,914 (64.98)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	4,484							
Tributary to Bull Run	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	2,110 (100.00	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	2,110							
Tributary to Johnny Moore Creek	677 (2.34)	14,754 (50.96)	12,389 (42.79)	1,131 (3.91)	0 (0.00)	28,951							
Tributary to Polecat Branch	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	2,344 (100.00	, , ,		2,344							
Watershed Total	677 (1.09)	19,617 (31.59)	33,207 (53.48)	8,591 (13.84)	0 (0.00)	62,092							

TABLE 3-46Infrastructure Assessment Summary for Johnny Moore Creek Watershed Fairfax County Stream Physical Assessment

Impact Score	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	>10	Total
Deficient Buffers	0	0	2	12	12	2	14	2	0	0	0	N/A	44
Crossings	50	3	5	6	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	N/A	67
Ditches and Pipes	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	4
Erosion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	N/A	2
Head Cut	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	1
Obstruction	3	0	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	9
Utility	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	57	3	8	22	13	4	14	5	0	1	0	0	127

TABLE 3-47Habitat Assessment Summary for Popes Head Creek Watershed Fairfax County Stream Physical Assessment

	Linear Feet (Percent) of Stream											
Stream	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Total						
Castle Creek	0 (0.00)	23,810 (77.00)	5,960 (19.27)	1,153 (3.73)	0 (0.00)	30,923						
East Fork	0 (0.00)	10,404 (65.41)	5,502 (34.59)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	15,906						
Piney Branch	815 (1.18)	22,828 (32.93)	40,495 (58.42)	5,174 (7.46)	0 (0.00)	69,312						
Popes Head Creek	416 (0.31)	18,687 (14.10)	103,348 (77.99)	10,060 (7.59)	0 (0.00)	132,511						
Tributary to East Fork	419 (100.00	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	419						
Tributary to Piney Branch	0 (0.00)	3,005 (100.00	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	3,005						
Tributary to Popes Head Creek	2,866 (28.80)	3,991 (40.10)	3,094 (31.09)	0 (0.00)	0 (0.00)	9,951						
Watershed Total	4,517 (1.72)	82,724 (31.57)	158,399 (60.45)	16,386 (6.25)	0 (0.00)	262,027						

TABLE 3-48 Infrastructure Assessment Summary for Popes Head Creek Watershed Fairfax County Stream Physical Assessment

Impact Score	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	>10	Total
Deficient Buffers	0	7	21	54	34	5	1	0	0	0	0	N/A	122
Crossings	90	36	22	13	7	2	1	1	2	0	0	N/A	174
Ditches and Pipes	17	12	2	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	N/A	37
Erosion	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	N/A	3
Head Cut	0	0	1	2	5	4	0	1	1	0	0	N/A	14
Obstruction	0	5	8	4	8	2	1	1	1	0	0	N/A	30
Utility	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total	108	60	54	74	58	15	5	3	4	1	0	0	382













